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- 1. ALL OF THIS PROBABLY COMES AS NO SURPRISE TO POSTS NOW INVOLVED BUT IT IS REPORTED FOR WHATEVER IT MAY BE WORTH GIVEN THE HIGH SOURCE OF THE INFORMATION.
- 2. AT THE END OF MY MEETING WITH KING HUSSEIN OCTOBER 22 HE TOLD ME THAT PRINCE JUAN CARLOS HAD BEEN IN DIRECT TOUCH WITH HIM IN THE LAST TWENTY-FOUR HOURS. JUAN CARLOS SAID TO THE KING THAT SPAIN NEEDS TIME ON THE SAHARA QUESTION AND IS READY TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES. KING SAID THAT JUAN CARLOS HAS ALSO ADDED IN HIS COMMUNICATION THAT FRANCO IS INDEED GRAVELY ILL AND THAT SHOULD HE DIE, SITUATION IN SPAIN WILL BE EVEN MORE DIFFICULT AND HENCE FURTHER TIME WILL BE REQUIRED.
- 2. KING LAUGHED AND SAID THAT THEY HAD ORGANIZED THEIR DELEGATION TO KING HASSAN'S MARCH TO INCLUDE A LOT OF PEOPLE THEY WOULD JUST AS SOON HAVE OUT OF THE COUNTRY IN ANY EVENT. HE THEN CORRECTED HIMSELF TO SAY THEY ARE SENDING A BALANCED DELEGATION IN ANY EVENT.

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3. HE SAID ALGERIANS HAD ALSO BEEN DIRECTLY IN TOUCH WITH

HIM ABOUT A MARCH WHICH THEY ARE ORGANIZING TO ASSERT
THEIR OWN INTERESTS. HE SAID THAT IN RESPONSE TO JUAN
CARLOS' MESSAGE TO HIM, THEY ARE COUNCILING RESTRAINT
ON EVERYBODY.
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